STATE, STATE,

February 16, 1864.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We herewith return the Senate bill entitled, "An Act to repeal sections 42 and 43, of article 66, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to manumission and to enact a substitute therefor, providing for the manumission of slaves;" with proposed amendments.

The Senate refuses to concur in said amendments and respectfully request your Honorable Body to recede therefrom.

By order,

C. HARWOOD,

Secretary.

Which was read, assented to and sent to the House of Delegates.

Also, delivered the following bills:

A bill entitled, "An Act to incorporate the Board of Beneficence of St. John's Independent Methodist Protestant church in the city of Baltimore;"

Read the first time, and referred to the committee on Corporations.

A bill entitled, "An Act to add to the fourth article of the Code of Public Local Laws, the following section, empowering the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to raise money and appropriate the same for the relief of the families of those who, under the call of the War Department, or of those who may hereafter enlist, as a part of the quota of the city of Baltimore;"

Read the first time, and referred to the committee on Judicial Proceedings.

The bill entitled, "An Act to add a new section to the 84th article of General Laws, relating to schools;"

Was read the third time, and passed by yeas and nays as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Sellman, Pt. Crane, Purnell,
Bayne, Jenkins, Bicaud,
Bayeiss, Kemp, Rowles,
Campbell, Lankford, Tome,
Carroll, Ohr, Willis—15.